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Dear Editor:

Recent events have reminded all of us, no matter how young or old, of the need for written and living wills.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone how important it is to have a written will and let my constituents know that a booklet entitled "Peace of Mind" is available from my office at no charge to help draft such important documents.

A living will sets out in writing what your wishes are, should you happen to find yourself unable to communicate. Do you wish all heroic measures to be made or would you prefer a few limits? Who should be responsible for deciding when the limit has been reached?

All of these issues and decisions should be thought out carefully and put down in writing, witnessed and placed where they can be found at the appropriate time. This booklet is a guide to the medical and legal decisions that you need to reach concerning your health, assets and the distribution of your estate.

Peace of Mind booklets are available through my Lansing office and at several locations throughout the 36th Senate District. For more information call 1-866-305-2136, or e-mail <http://senate.mi.gov/stamas>.

The Peace of Mind booklet is also available for download through the publications link on my website at <http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/senator/stamas/index.htm>.

Sincerely,

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